

PROJECT 10073 RECORD CARD

1. DATE 3 Apr 64		2. LOCATION Monticello, Wisconsin		12. CONCLUSIONS <input type="checkbox"/> Was Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Balloon <input type="checkbox"/> Was Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Aircraft <input type="checkbox"/> Was Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Probably Astronomical <input type="checkbox"/> Possibly Astronomical <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <u>UNIDENTIFIED</u> <input type="checkbox"/> Insufficient Data for Evaluation <input type="checkbox"/> Unknown	
3. DATE-TIME GROUP Local _____ GMT <u>04/0300Z</u>		4. TYPE OF OBSERVATION <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ground-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Ground-Radar <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Visual <input type="checkbox"/> Air-Intercept Radar			
5. PHOTOS <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No		6. SOURCE civilian			
7. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 3 - 4 minutes		8. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one		9. COURSE varied/	
10. BRIEF SUMMARY OF SIGHTING Obj with four wheels like small ferris-wheel. Lights only visible. Four huge red lights with other lights of white and green. No sound. Obj observed near ground, then it took off in a canted altitude (N) with elevation and azimuth unknown. Hovered. object and auto approached each other on parallel course about 300 ft apart. Obj then veered away and disappeared. Duration 3 - 4 minutes. Night sighting. Four witnesses. Reported four days after sighting.				11. COMMENTS	

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Request for Weather Data

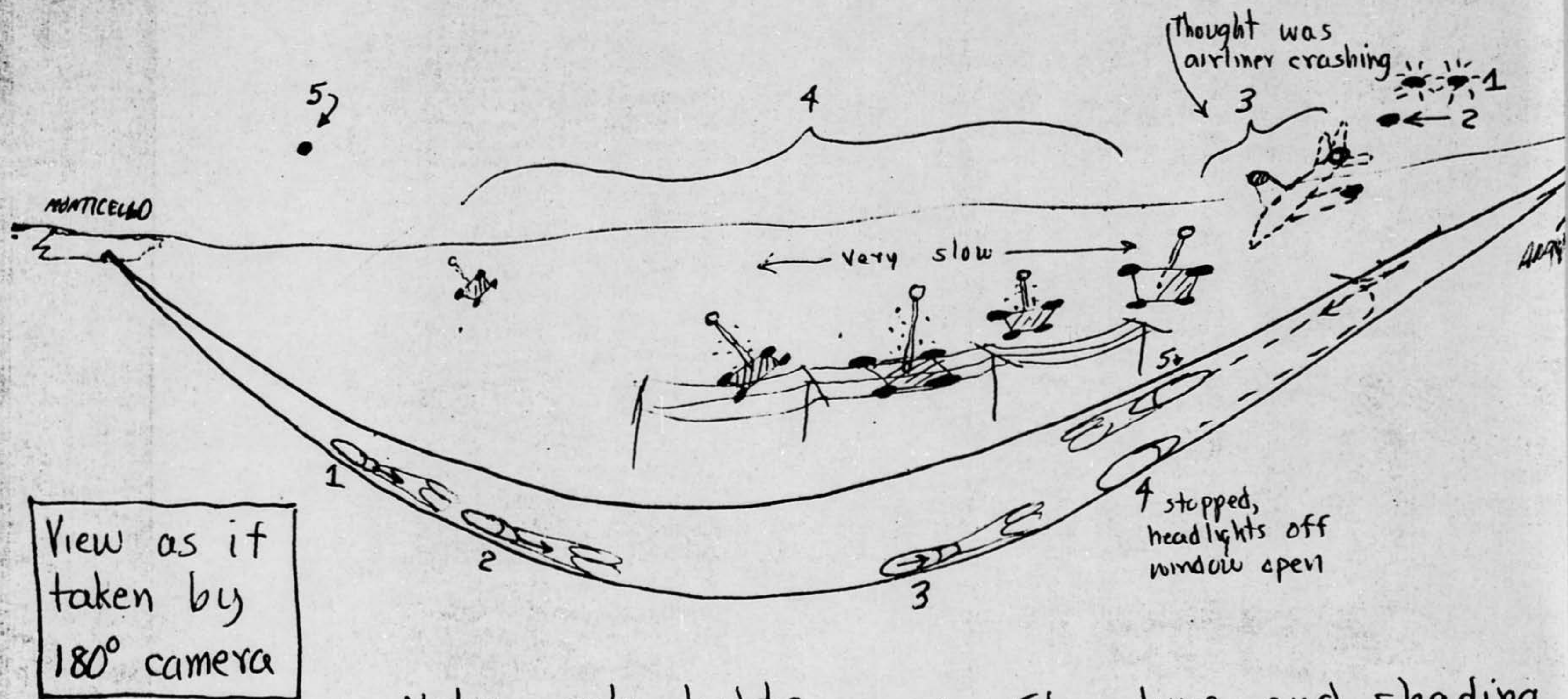
2 Nov 64

TDFCC/Maj Mills

Request surface weather data for Monticello, Wisconsin on 2 Apr 64
and the wind data at all levels for Mt Vernon, Virginia on 18 May 64
be ordered from Asheville, North Carolina.

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr
Major, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena Branch

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U.S. AIR FORCE TECHNICAL INFORMATION

This questionnaire has been prepared so that you can give the U.S. Air Force as much information as possible concerning the unidentified aerial phenomenon that you have observed. Please try to answer as many questions as you possibly can. The information that you give will be used for research purposes. Your name will not be used in connection with any statements, conclusions, or publications without your permission. We request this personal information so that if it is deemed necessary, we may contact you for further details.

1. When did you see the object?

3 April 1964
Day Month Year

2. Time of day: 8 45 approx
Hour Minutes

(Circle One): A.M. or P.M.

3. Time Zone:

(Circle One): a. Eastern
b. Central
c. Mountain
d. Pacific
e. Other _____

(Circle One): a. Daylight Saving
b. Standard

4. Where were you when you saw the object?

Nearest Postal Address

Monticello
City or Town

Wisconsin
State or County

5. How long was object in sight? (Total Duration)

10
Hours Minutes Seconds

a. Certain

b. Fairly certain

c. Not very sure

d. Just a guess

5.1 How was time in sight determined? _____

5.2 Was object in sight continuously? Yes ✓ No _____

6. What was the condition of the sky?

DAY

a. Bright
b. Cloudy

NIGHT

a. Bright
b. Cloudy - Very Dark

7. IF you saw the object during DAYLIGHT, where was the SUN located as you looked at the object?

(Circle One): a. In front of you
b. In back of you
c. To your right

d. To your left
e. Overhead
f. Don't remember

8. IF you saw the object at NIGHT, what did you notice concerning the STARS and MOON?

8.1 STARS (Circle One):

- ☒ a. None
- b. A few
- c. Many
- d. Don't remember

8.2 MOON (Circle One):

- a. Bright moonlight
- b. Dull moonlight
- ☒ c. No moonlight - pitch dark
- d. Don't remember

9. What were the weather conditions at the time you saw the object?

CLOUDS (Circle One):

- a. Clear sky
- b. Hazy
- c. Scattered clouds
- ☒ d. Thick or heavy clouds

WEATHER (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Dry
- b. Fog, mist, or light rain
- c. Moderate or heavy rain
- d. Snow
- e. Don't remember

10. The object appeared: (Circle One):

- a. Solid
- b. Transparent
- c. Vapor
- ☒ d. As a light
- e. Don't remember

11. If it appeared as a light, was it brighter than the brightest stars? (Circle One):

- ☒ a. Brighter
- b. Dimmer
- c. About the same
- d. Don't know

11.1 Compare brightness to some common object:

brighter than aircraft lights in the distance but
at the distance sighted probably equal in brightness

12. The edges of the object were:

- (Circle One):
- a. Fuzzy or blurred
 - b. Like a bright star
 - c. Sharply outlined
 - d. Don't remember

e. Other could see no surface
except a small metallic
area lighted by a greenish
white light. shape suggested
by placement of the lights

13. Did the object:

(Circle One for each question)

- a. Appear to stand still at any time?
- b. Suddenly speed up and rush away at any time?
- c. Break up into parts or explode?
- d. Give off smoke?
- e. Change brightness?
- f. Change shape?
- g. Flash or flicker?
- h. Disappear and reappear?

- | | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------|
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | Don't know |
| <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | Don't know |
| Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
| Yes | <input checked="" type="radio"/> No | Don't know |
- not all shimmered*

14. Did the object disappear while you were watching it? If so, how? yes. - it had remained stationary for some time and then began moving away at a slow speed but when we turned the car around and attempted to follow it, it gained speed and disappeared toward Monticello veering around the town itself.

15. Did the object move behind something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what it moved behind: only telephone poles and wires

16. Did the object move in front of something at any time, particularly a cloud?

(Circle One): Yes No Don't Know. IF you answered YES, then tell what in front of: the opposite hill slope of the valley

17. Tell in a few words the following things about the object:

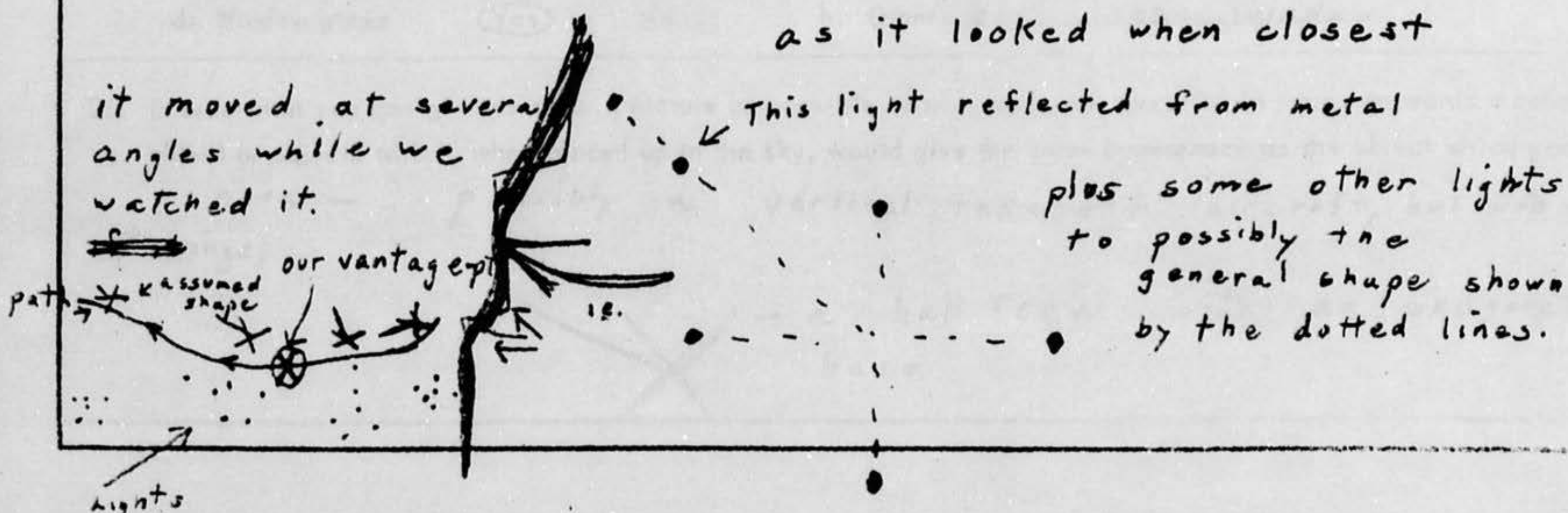
- a. Sound none that could be heard above our idling engine
 b. Color = only of lights; red, green + a greenish-white.

18. We wish to know the angular size. Hold a match stick at arm's length in line with a known object and note how much of the object is covered by the head of the match. If you had performed this experiment at the time of the sighting, how much of the object would have been covered by the match head?

only a single light, a small fraction of the total area encompassed by the lights.

19. Draw a picture that will show the shape of the object or objects. Label and include in your sketch any details of the object that you saw such as wings, protrusions, etc., and especially exhaust trails or vapor trails.

Place an arrow beside the drawing to show the direction the object was moving.



20. Do you think you can estimate the speed of the object?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

IF you answered YES, then what speed would you estimate? from dead stop gradually to speeds much greater than 60 MPH, as it left very fast

21. Do you think you can estimate how far away from you the object was?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

IF you answered YES, then how far away would you say it was? at closest approx 100 yds.

22. Where were you located when you saw the object?
(Circle One):

- a. Inside a building
- ☒ b. In a car
- c. Outdoors
- d. In an airplane (type)
- e. At sea
- f. Other _____

23. Were you (Circle One)

- a. In the business section of a city?
- b. In the residential section of a city?
- ☒ c. In open countryside?
- d. Near an airfield?
- e. Flying over a city?
- f. Flying over open country?
- g. Other _____

24. IF you were MOVING IN AN AUTOMOBILE or other vehicle at the time, then complete the following questions:

24.1 What direction were you moving? (Circle One)

- | | | | |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| a. North | c. East | e. South | g. West |
| b. Northeast | d. Southeast | f. Southwest | h. Northwest |

24.2 How fast were you moving? 40± miles per hour.

24.3 Did you stop at any time while you were looking at the object?

(Circle One) ☒ Yes No

25. Did you observe the object through any of the following?

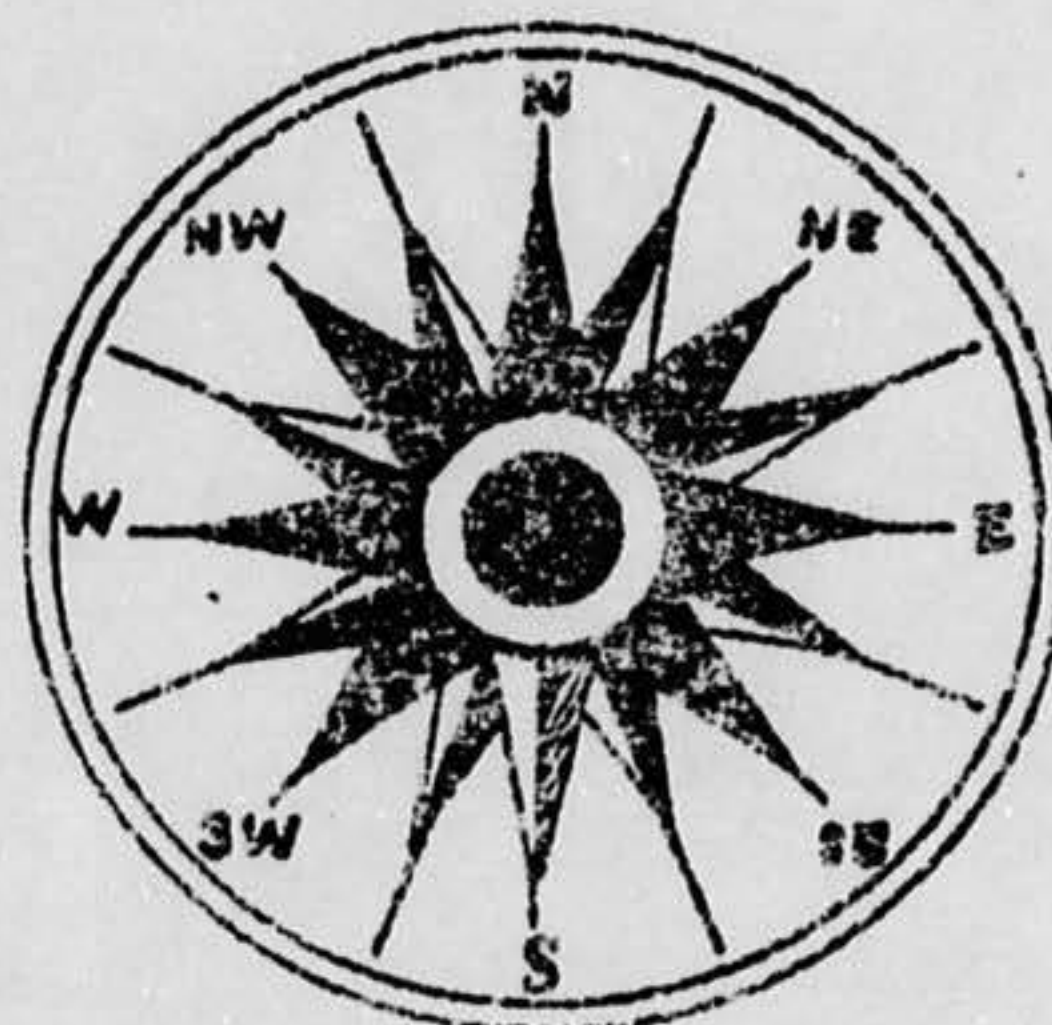
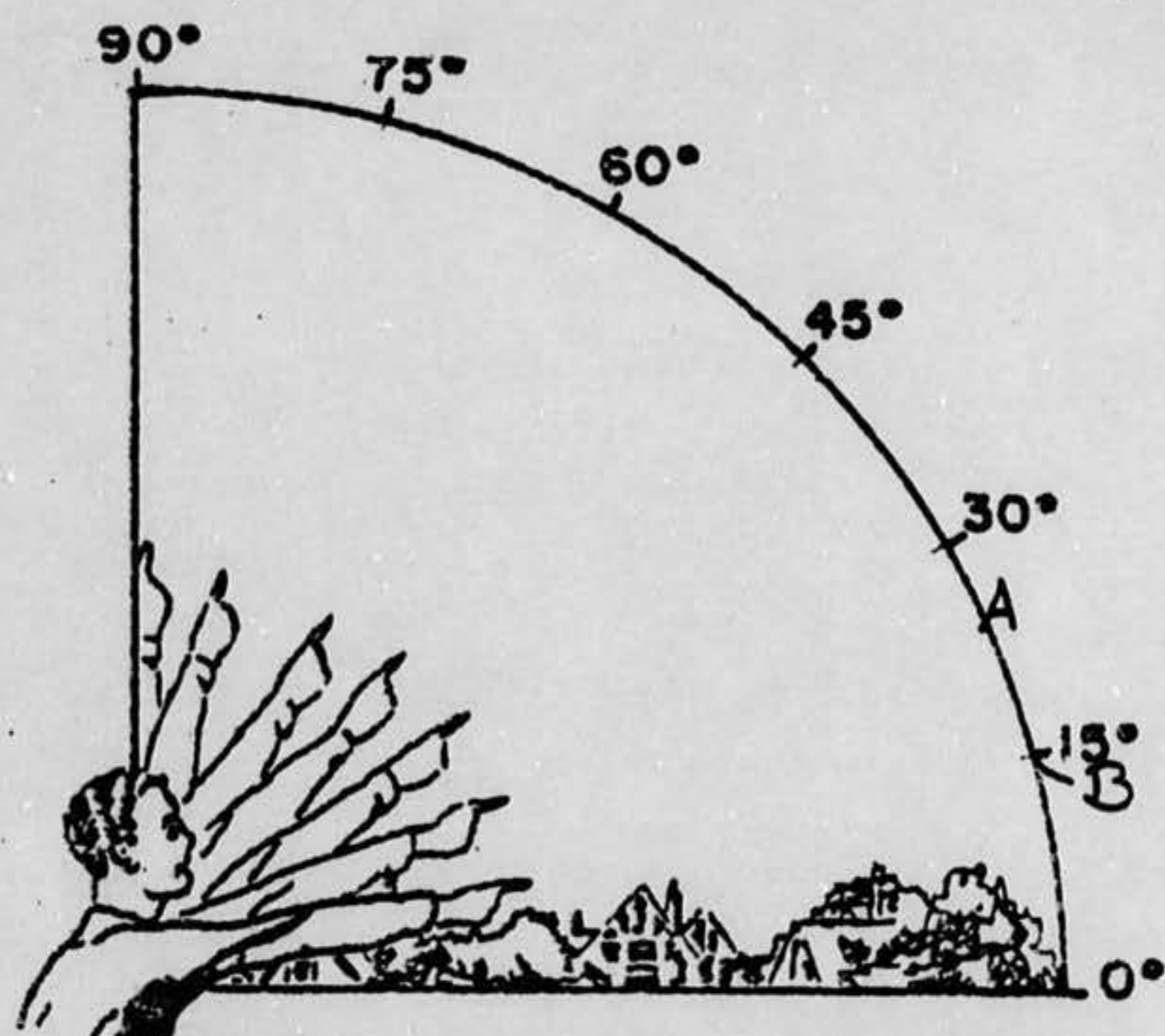
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|-----------------|--------------------------------------|----|----------------------------------|-----|----|
| a. Eyeglasses | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | e. Binoculars | Yes | No |
| b. Sun glasses | Yes | No | f. Telescope | Yes | No |
| c. Windshield | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | g. Theodolite | Yes | No |
| d. Window glass | <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes | No | h. Other <u>also open window</u> | | |

26. In order that you can give as clear a picture as possible of what you saw, describe in your own words a common object or objects which, when placed up in the sky, would give the same appearance as the object which you saw

none - possibly a vertical take off aircraft, but without wings,

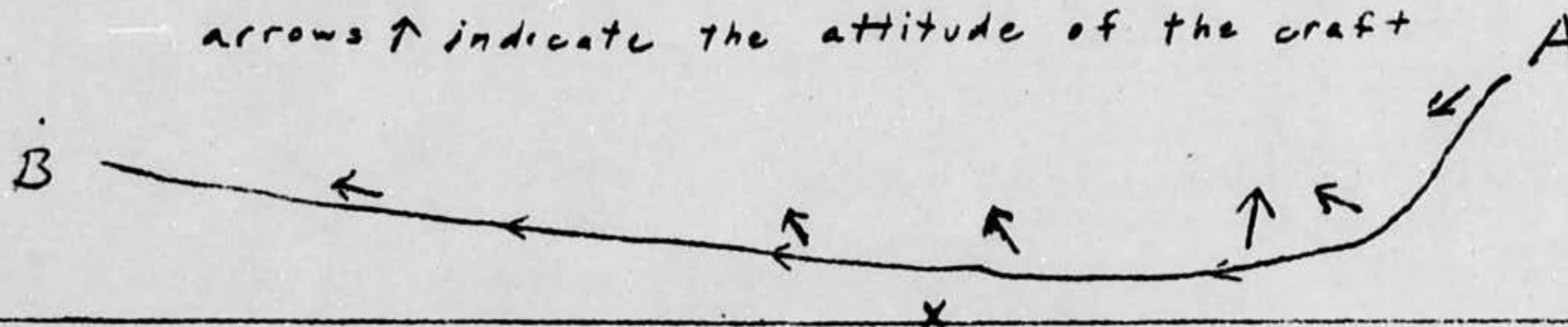
~~- a hall tree with an exaggerated base~~

27. In the following sketch, imagine that you are at the point shown. Place an "A" on the curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the same curved line to show how high the object was above the horizon (skyline) when you *last* saw it. Place an "A" on the compass when you *first* saw it. Place a "B" on the compass where you *last* saw the object.



28. Draw a picture that will show the motion that the object or objects made. Place an "A" at the beginning of the path, a "B" at the end of the path, and show any changes in direction during the course.

arrows ↑ indicate the attitude of the craft



29. IF there was MORE THAN ONE object, then how many were there? _____

Draw a picture of how they were arranged, and put an arrow to show the direction that they were traveling.

visually unconnected lights - but they obviously were connected as they remained in a consistent relationship to each other

30. Have you ever seen this, or a similar object before. If so give date or dates and location.

Never

31. Was anyone else with you at the time you saw the object? (Circle One) ☒ Yes ☐ No

31.1 IF you answered YES, did they see the object too? (Circle One) ☒ Yes ☐ No

31.2 Please list their names and addresses:

Mrs. [REDACTED] Ave., Madison 5, Wis.

[REDACTED], Argyle, Wis.

Mrs. [REDACTED] Argyle, Wis.

32. Please give the following information about yourself:

NAME [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]
Last Name First Name Middle Name

ADDRESS [REDACTED] St. Ave. Madison 5 Wisconsin
Street City Zone State

TELEPHONE NUMBER [REDACTED] AGE 21 SEX Male

Indicate any additional information about yourself, including any special experience, which might be pertinent.

33. When and to whom did you report that you had seen the object? Noreen Nelson

4 April 1964
Day Month Year

34. Date you completed this questionnaire:

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'64

Day

Month

Year

Got mislaid till now we are very sorry

35. Information which you feel pertinent and which is not adequately covered in the specific points of the questionnaire or a narrative explanation of your sighting.

Madison, Wis. (Truax Field)

APR 2 1964

SURFACE WEATHER OBSERVATIONS

Type	Time (LST)	Sky and ceiling (Hundreds of Feet)	Visibility (Statute Miles)		Weather and obstructions to vision	Sea level press. (Mbs.)	Temp. (°F)	Dew pt. (°F)	Wind			Altimeter setting (Inch.)	Remarks and supplemental coded data (13)	(14a)	(14b)
			Surface (4)	Tower (4a)					Direction (100-360)	Speed (Kts)	Character (11)				
M	0000	M460	12												
P	0050	M460	12			10.5	29	30	15	02		972			
P	0157	M460	12			10.4	29	32	15	07		969			
P	0200	M460	12			10.3	26	33	16	15		967	627 1500		
S	0220	400	12						15	06					
P	0307	400	12			10.2	22	27	21	05		965			
S	0420	M460	10						17	16					
P	0456	M460	10			10.2	26	29	09	24		963			
S	0531	M460	5		H								THN SPOTS 10VC		
P	0557	M460	6		H	10.7	27	29	10	05		964	THN SPOTS 10VC		
/	641	81005	00050		04737		85	71		29510		44232			
P	0650	M500	6		H	10.5	27	26	07	08		963	THN SPOTS 10VC		
P	0736	M500	6		H	10.7	31	31	07	09		964	80 CU BLDUPS W CIG RGD		
S	0833	M430	6		H				07	12		963			(FIB)
P	0850	M400	5		H	10.3	41	32	07	10		963	803 1511		
P	0956	M310	5		H	10.7	42	32	09	09		961			
P	0956	M320	5		H	10.3	44	35	07	09		960			
P	1050	M270	5		H	10.6	45	36	07	10		958			
/		LHI 40710	54050		02645		95	57		36715		14533			
L	1201	M290	4		H				07	10		958			
L	1241	M250	4		RW-H										
P	1300	M230	4		RW-H	10.2	47	33	07	09		951	RB46		
P	1357	M240	4		RW-H	10.4	51	37	07	05		959			
S	1404	M260	4		RW-H				07	10		958	PIREP 5 N MSN 13540 35023		
/													LGT-MDT TURSC F-102		
L	1450	M260	3	3	RW-H										
P	1500	M360	3	3	RW-H	10.3	45	38	06	15		951	903 1511		
L	1501	M250	3	3	RW-H										
S	1531	M250	2 1/2	2 1/2	RW-H				06	14		956			
P	1552	M200	2 1/2	2 1/2	RW-H	10.1	41	36	07	15		956			
S	1626	M150	2 1/2	2 1/2	RW-H				06	17					
P	1652	M200	3	3	R-H				05	18	G24				
P	1658	M200	3	3	R-H	10.0	37	35	06	17	G24	956			
S	1723	M160	2	2	RH				06	15		963	PRESRR		
S	1747	M120	2	2	RF				05	13		964	CIG RGD		(FIB)
P	1758	M100	2	2	RF	10.7	36	32	05	15		964	CIG RGD PRESRR		
/	641	50710	321	38	04736	554		32	222		142	69	30045 44723		
L	1831	M100	2	2	R-F							961	CK RGD		
P	1832	M100	2	2	R-F				04	17	G22	960	CIG RGD		(FIB)
P	1852	M100	2 1/2	2 1/2	R-F	10.7	35	31	05	15	G25	958	CIG RGD PRESRR		
P	1921	M100	4		R-F				05	14	G21	962			
P	1957	M100	4		R-F	10.5	35	31	05	13	G21	963	CIG RGD		
P	2020	M100	4		R-F	10.1	36	31	05	11	G20	968	314 1111		
P	2130	M100	4		R-F				06	12		964	PRESRR		
S	2150	M100	4		R-E-F				04	10					(FIB)
P	2150	M100	4		R-E-F	10.1	35	30	02	08		974	PRESRR EB 45		
P	2250	M100	4		R-E-F	10.1	35	30	02	11		971	WR17		
P	2331	M100	4		R-S-F				02	14		979	WR17		
P	2400	M100	4		R-F				02	11		980	WR17		
P	2430	M100	3	3	R-F	10.2	34	30	03	10		981	FL16 RE 45 WR17		
/	641	80710	48117	10	224	854		20	247		711	57	44723		

ARMED FORCES AIR INTELLIGENCE TRAINING CENTER
LOWRY TECHNICAL TRAINING CENTER (ATC)
LOWRY AFB, COLORADO 80230

REPLY TO
ATTN OF: TS-IS

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Object (UFO)

TO: Air Force Systems Command (FTD)
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio 45433

1. Attached you will find a letter regarding a UFO sighting.
This letter was misdirected to our Center by the reporting agency.
We are forwarding it per AFR 200-2 for your use.

2. Address all further inquiries to the originating agency:

Office of Information (CIO)
Hq 30th Air Division (SAGE)
Truax Field, Wisconsin 53707

Wayne A. Kraier

WAYNE A. KRAIER
1/Lt., USAF
UFO Officer, AFAITC

SURFACE WEATHER OBSERVATIONS

STATION Madison, Wis. (Trux Field) DATE APR 2 1964

TIME (L. S. T.)	STATION PRESSURE (INS.)	DRY BULB (°F.)	WET BULB (°F.)	REL. HUMIDITY (%)	TOTAL SKY COVER	CLOUDS AND OBSCURING PHENOMENA												TOTAL OPAQUE SKY COVER	PRESSURE TENDENCY	NET 3-HR. CHANGE	SUN- SHINE (MINUTES)		
						LOWEST LAYER			SECOND LAYER			SUMMA- TION TOTAL	THIRD LAYER			SUMMA- TION TOTAL	FOURTH LAYER						
						AMT.	TYPE & DIR.	HEIGHT	AMT.	TYPE & DIR.	HEIGHT		AMT.	TYPE & DIR.	HEIGHT		AMT.	TYPE & DIR.	HEIGHT				
16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39
00 56	28.710			70	10	10	SC	M45	U				U				U			10			
01 57	28.720			70	10	10	SC	M45	U				U				U			10			
02 56	28.720			72	7	7	SC	M42	U			2	0			4	0			6	6	.085	
03 52	28.740			77	4	4	SC	M45	U			4	0			4	0			3			
04 56	28.720			75	10	10	SC	M42	U				U				U			10			
05 57	28.730			73	10	10	SC	M40	U				U				U			10	5	.030	0
06 56	28.730			76	10	10	SC	M42	U				U				U			10			0
07 56	28.730			73	10	10	SC	M50	U				U				U			10			0
08 56	28.720			70	10	10	SC	M40	U				U				U			10	8	.010	0
09 56	28.700			67	10	10	SC	M31	U				U				U			10			0
10 56	28.690			70	10	10	SC	M32	U				U				U			10			0
11 56	28.675			70	10	10	SC	M27	U				U				U			10	7	.045	0
12 56	28.665			71	10	10	SC	M23	U				U				U			10			0
13 57	28.675			79	10	10	SC	M24	U				U				U			10			0
14 56	28.665			73	10	10	SC	M26	U				U				U			10	8	.010	0
15 57	28.655			82	10	2	SF	14	10	SC	M20	10	U				U			10			0
16 58	28.655			85	10	3	SF	12	10	SC	M20	10	U				U			10			0
17 58	28.730			85	10	7	SF	M10	10	SC	M10	10	U				U			10	3	.065	0
18 57	28.670			85	10	7	SF	M10	10	SC	M10	10	U				U			10			0
19 57	28.720			85	10	7	SF	M9	10	SC	M10	10	U				U			10			
20 58	28.770			82	10	10	SF	M7	U				U				U			10	3	.040	
21 58	28.830			82	10	3	SF	12	10	SC	M15	10	U				U			10			
22 56	28.860			82	10	10	SC	M32	U				U				U			10			
23 52	28.890			85	10	7	SC	M15	10	SC	M15	10	U				U			10	2	.120	

SYNOPTIC OBSERVATIONS

TIME (G. C. T.)	TIME (L. S. T.)	NO.	PRECIP. (INS.)	SNOW FALL (INS.)	SNOW DEPTH (INS.)	MAX. TEMP. (°F.)	MIN. TEMP. (°F.)	HGT. 850 MB. SURFACE	STATE OF GRND.	SEA STATE & DIR.	SWELL HGT. & DIR.	SWELL PERIOD	SURF. H ₂ H ₂ M, P, D.	WATER TEMP.	SOIL TEMP.	STATION PRESSURE COMPUTATIONS								
41	42	43	44	45	46	47	48	49	50	51	52	53	54	55	56	57	58	TIME (L. S. T.) 59	60	61	62	63	64	65
	MID. TO	X			X			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X									
	1550	1	0	0	T	40	33		5															
	1650	2	0	0	T	45	37		5															
	1750	3	0	0	T	47	36		5															
	2350	4	1.57	T	T	36	34		5															
	MID.	X	0.1	T	T			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X									

SUMMARY OF DAY (MIDNIGHT TO MIDNIGHT)

24-HR. MAX. TEMP. (°F.)	24-HR. MIN. TEMP. (°F.)	24-HR. PRECIP. WATER EQUIV. (INS.)	24-HR. SNOWFALL UNMLTD. (INS.)	SNOW DEPTH (INS.)	PEAK GUST			THICK- NESS OF ICE ON WATER (INS.)	FROZEN GRND LAYER (INS.)		RIVER GAGE	24 HR. MAX. R. H.	24-HR. MIN. R. H.	WATER EQUIV. (INS.)		THDRSTM. 82	BEGAN 83	ENDED 84	85	TO VIS. 86	BEGAN 87	ENDED 88	
					SPEED (KNOTS)	DI- REC- TION	TIME L.S.T.		TOP	BASE													
66	67	68	69	70	71	72	73	74	75	76	77	78	79	80	81								
47	33	.59	T	T								35	67										

REMARKS, NOTES AND MISCELLANEOUS PHENOMENA

Total sunshine 0 Sunrise CLDY Sunset CLDY
Fastest observed 1-minute wind speed _____ m. p. h. or
Fastest mile 28 m. p. h.: associated direction NE and time: 1931
Excessive precipitation:

At (MINUTES)	5	10	15	20	30	45	60	80	100	120	150	180
PRECIPITATION (INCHES)												

BARO. TOUCHED: 1231, 1753, 2355

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DEARBORN OBSERVATORY
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY
EVANSTON, ILLINOIS 60201
16 October 1964

Major Hector Quintanilla
Foreign Technology Division
Box 9494
Wright-Patterson Air Force Base
Dayton, Ohio

RE: Monticello, Wisconsin Sighting of 3 April 1964 (incorrectly dated as
2 April on the record card)

On October 10, 1964, I interviewed Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] in Madison,
Wisconsin, at their new address [REDACTED]. I was accompanied
by Mrs. Hynek and by William Powers and Jacques Vallee. The appointment
for the interview was made by phone several days previously.

Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] were two of the four witnesses to an unusual sighting
on the evening of April 3, 1964, just outside the town of Monticello, Wis-
consin. Mr. [REDACTED] is a graduate student in anthropology at the University
of Wisconsin, has been a member of an anthropological expedition to India
two years ago, and is about as knowledgeable and articulate a witness as
I have interviewed in a long while. I would rate his reliability exceedingly
high, judging not only from his educational background but in the manner in
which he (and his wife) answered our questions, frequently disagreeing
between each other on minor points (number of lights, exact geometrical
relationship of lights) as they reconstructed from memory an event which
occurred several months ago. There was a total absence of hidebound
positiveness about what they had seen, which I always take as a good sign.
There was none of the attitude of "you-can't-tell-me-what-I've-seen. I-
know-what-I-saw, etc. etc., etc.," but rather a calm consideration and
evaluation of various possibilities.

I conducted much of the interrogation, and Mr. [REDACTED] and Mr. [REDACTED] took independent notes and made drawings as they went along, to help in visualizing the situation. Summing up the sighting we have as follows:

Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] accompanied by her mother and Mrs. [REDACTED] young sister, age 12, were leaving Monticello heading westward on County C for the town of Argyle just about 9:00 P. M. The time was checked by the fact that the stores were just closing. The night was quite dark, and they did not think that the stars or moon were out (The moon was at last quarter). When they were about one mile west of Monticello, they saw two red blinkers in about the 11:00-position. Their first reaction was that an accident had occurred and that these were police cars on a hill in the distance. Almost immediately, however, they recognized that the lights were too far above ground level to entertain this hypothesis, particularly as the source of the lights came closer and began to subtend an appreciable angle. Almost immediately they gathered the impression that an airliner was about to crash and that they were more or less on the direct line, even though the object was somewhat to their left. During this time they were observing through the windshield, but both of them stated that they rolled down the window left of the driver to get a better look, stopped the car, and turned off the headlights. At no time did they leave the car although urged to do so by the mother. The twelve-year-old became very frightened and fell to the floor of the car in the rear, hiding as much as possible from the apparition. We were told that she experienced nightmares later that night.

As the object came closer, it apparently slowed down to a hovering position right alongside of the car but about 100 yards (as best they could judge) to the left of the road. At this time there were four red lights, more or less at the vertices of a rectangle and one white light "in front" of the others. At the closest approach, they gave the impression that there was a host of minor lights, but the exact number could not be established.

At the closest approach, the object was behind telephone poles and telephone wires and subtended at an angle of about thirty degrees. It was so large that although they viewed it mostly by looking under the telephone wires, some of the lights were nonetheless above the telephone wires. The arrangement of the lights, as we could best discern, were arranged as though they were on a "flying hatrack" or "halltree" although at no time were any of them able to see any body to the object or any superstructure. Only the fact that the lights maintained a geometrical relationship throughout the sighting led them to believe that the lights were indeed attached to a physical structure of some sort. A few times they gave the impression that the red lights did reflect dimly off a metallic surface.

The object then passed slightly to the rear at which time [REDACTED] started the motor, turned on the headlights, and drove ahead to turn around. He turned into a farmer's driveway on the left of the road and after reversing his direction, found the light pattern growing smaller toward the east. He attempted to give chase to the object. There were no other cars on the road at the time, in either direction. The chase was futile for although they up to fifty miles an hour, the object disappeared very quickly into the distance in the direction of Monticello. The total duration of sighting was somewhere between five and fifteen minutes, but they have no accurate recollection of the time. They did drive the car a considerable distance before stopping and turning around, and so I would say five minutes is about a minimum time for the total duration. They stated that the object gave indication of intelligent operation and that it "appeared interested in the car." At some time or other during the observation, they also noticed green lights.

All this would give the impression that a helicopter had approached them at close range and then gone off swiftly. We discussed this possibility

with them in detail but were forced to reject this hypothesis on several grounds. First, there was no sound whatever, even when the car had stopped, and they were turning around. They had their radio on low, (but no static or interference was heard), and they felt that the level of the music was sufficiently low so that a powered craft would certainly have been heard. A few weeks later, a television program made in England, and apparently demonstrating new devices in English aircraft, exhibited a device which had much the same trajectory as their object. The device exhibited was apparently a vertical takeoff device which maneuvered in the same swift gliding motions they observed. However, such devices produce a great deal of noise. Secondly, the helicopter hypothesis fails because of size, the subtended angle being, according to them, much too great to have been a helicopter one hundred yards away. Thirdly, no landing lights were used, and it seems inconceivable that a helicopter hovering so close to ground that it could be seen, at least in part, from below telephone wires, would have ventured so close to the ground without lights being on the ground.

There is the possibility that the lights they sighted were actually much farther away than they thought and that the lights might have been attached to several objects flying in formation. This is difficult to reconcile with the rapid approach and the rapid departure. Still, we should check whether Monticello is in a refueling mission path and whether there was a refueling mission going on at the time. However, my understanding is that refueling missions do not occur below twenty thousand feet, in which case the subtended angles, angular speeds, etc. are completely out of line.

The observers are obviously intelligent people who would far prefer to accept a rational terrestrial explanation to their sighting but are unable to find one. They are most anxious for us to tell them what it was.

This was clearly not a hallucination since four people saw it and the first impressions were in rapid succession of patrol cars with blinking lights and then as the object got closer, of an airliner about to crash. There seems to be no doubt in their minds as to the very large angle subtended by the object. They indicated that had it come closer, it might just have been able to fit in between the successive telephone poles along the road.

Personally, I would like to entertain the helicopter hypothesis, but cannot unless the a) angular size is in error; b) the lack of noise is explained; and c) there is an explanation for the absence of landing lights. Still, we should check to see whether a helicopter mission was operating out of Truax Airbase that night.

We should also check the weather records. The witnesses' recollection is that the night was calm and that a lighted scientific balloon could not be the explanation. Scientific balloons, as I well know, if they descend nearly to the ground, do not suddenly take off and rise rapidly.

Unfortunately, this sighting must remain in the unidentified category, in my opinion, unless drastically new information is received. It occurs to me, that had this been a daytime sighting, we might have had something similar to the Socorro sighting except, of course, for the total absence of noise. It differs also, of course, in that there was no actual landing. This case, therefore, joins the group of unidentifieds which seems to grow at a steady (and distressing) rate. I believe it would be profitable to revisit the scene, but this time with the mother and daughter, and go over the same ground in the daytime. Weather records for that night should certainly be obtained. It is especially important to know whether there was an overcast, and what the wind conditions were. In view of the excellence of

the witnesses, I find it impossible to dismiss this instance as a product of excited imaginations or as a desire for publicity, etc. Indeed, these witnesses had no intention of telling their story originally; the wife's father, I believe it is, is a Marine and felt it was their duty to report it.

On the way home, all of us agreed that no formal questionnaire can bring out the sense and detail of a sighting, or an adequate estimate of the reliability of the observers, that a personal interview can. But we also agreed that failing a personal interview, a request for a simple narrative statement from the witnesses, answering only a few specific questions would be preferable, at least in the first stages, to a questionnaire.

In short, to have the witness tell in his own words, guided by just a brief outline as to what the circumstances of the sighting were such as was it day or night; what was the duration of the sighting; and how many people were with the witness. We can get the names, telephone numbers, etc. later if the thing seems worthwhile. These people in Madison had filled out the questionnaire (which you should have in your hands now), but a questionnaire is a dead thing compared to the person's own narrative style. It can't be an unguided narrative, but it must be a narrative answering just a few prestated questions. Besides, most people regard questionnaires as another government form, and they are somehow just a little afraid of it, to say nothing of shying away from overcoming the inertia of filling out such a report. If, on the other hand, they are asked to answer as simply as possible questions such as what did you see and what did it look like, writing it as if they were telling it to a neighbor, I think we would get an added dimension that somehow seems to be missing in questionnaires. I realize that I had a fair amount to do with devising the questionnaire, and I think it certainly serves a purpose in many cases, but I wonder if it wouldn't be better to precede it by a bald statement of the circumstances.

We can talk about this next time I see you. Of course, there is nothing that takes the place of a personal interview, but these are expensive and time-consuming.

By the way, I think [REDACTED] diagram is a pretty good one. He put a lot of work into getting the details for it.

Cordially,



Allen

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7 April 1964

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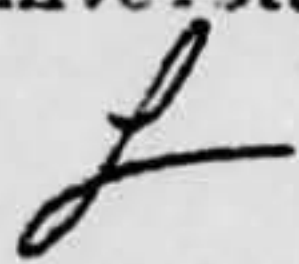
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1. At approximately 1515 hours, 7 April 1964, I took a telephone report from a male individual who identified himself as Mr. [REDACTED] Argyle, Wisconsin. He further declared himself a Major, US Marine Corps, Retired. Mr. [REDACTED] sounded entirely sober, rational and calm. He stated that he simply felt that certain observations should be made known to some proper authority, that his wife and youngest daughter had dissuaded him from reporting until now out of their feelings that people "will think we're crazy." Details follow.

2. Mr. [REDACTED] wife, young daughter (age 13), son-in-law (Mr. [REDACTED]) and married daughter (Mrs. [REDACTED]) were returning home from furniture shopping on Friday night, 3 April. At about 2100 hours and about one mile west of Monticello, Wisconsin they observed two red lights at some distance off the road and took them to be police cars at an accident scene. Curiosity led them to drive down a road toward the lights. They then saw the two red lights as four huge red lights along with other lights. At their closer approach all lights went out and an object took to the air. It was observed at 300 feet or less distance. It appeared to have no superstructure, was of four main sections connected together, had nothing to resemble wings, took off in a canted attitude rising sharply and disappeared. There was no sound accompanying its take-off.

3. Mr. and Mrs. [REDACTED] reside in Madison. Both are students at the University of Wisconsin. Address is [REDACTED] Avenue.



WARREN J. LANE
Lt Colonel, USAF
Executive Officer

2 APR 03/0300Z
MONTICELLO, WISC

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ACTION: NIN-7

INFO : XOPX-4, XOP-1, SAFOS-3, DIA-15 (31)

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UNCLAS CHODC 04006. OSAF FOR SAFOI; CSAF FOR AFCIN;
30AIR DIV FOR 30-0IN. UFO SIGHTED 0300Z 3 APRIL 1964 BY
CIVILIAN REPORTED TO CHADS 2115Z 7 APRIL 1964. A. DES-
SCRIPTION OF OBJECT:

(1) SHAPE: NO SUPERSTRUCTURE, FOUR (4) MAIN SECTIONS
CONNECTED TOGETHER. LOOKED LIKE TINKER TOYS.

(2) SIZE: SMALL FERRIS WHEEL.

(3) COLOR: UNKNOWN WITH EXCEPTION OF LIGHTS.

(4) NUMBER: ONE (1)

(5) FORMATION: NONE

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(6) DISCERNABLE FEATURES: FOUR (4) HUGE RED LIGHTS
ALONG WITH OTHER LIGHTS OF WHITE AND GREEN.

(7) NONE.

(8) THERE WAS NO SOUND ACCOMPANYING OBJECT.

B. DESCRIPTION OF COURSE.

(1) SAW RED LIGHTS OFF ROAD.

(2) FIRST OBSERVED NEAR GROUND.

(3) TOOK OFF IN A CANTED ALTITUDE, ELEVATION AND
AZIMUTH UNKNOWN.

(4) HOVERED ABOVE GROUND

(5) OBJECT AND AUTHO APPROACHED EACH OTHER ON
PARALLEL COURSE AT APPROX 300 FT APART. OBJECT
VEERED AWAY FROM MONTICELLO AND DISAPPEARED.

(6) OBSERVATION TIME APPROX 3-4 MINUTES

C. MANNER OF OBSERVATION: VISUAL (GROUND)

D. TIME & DATE OF SIGHTING:

(1) 03/0300Z APR 64.

(2) LIGHT CONDITION: NIGHT.

E. LOCATION OF OBSERVERS: ONE (1) MILE WEST OF
MONTICELLO, WISCONSIN.

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F. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION:

(1) MR. [REDACTED] & MRS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] AVE., MADISON, WISCONSIN

RELIABILITY: GOOD.

(2) MR. [REDACTED] & YOUNG DAUGHTER

ARGYLE, WISCONSIN

RELIABILITY: GOOD

G. PREPARING OFFICER:

1ST LT CHARLES R. PIVER, 70531A

STAFF INTELLIGENCE OFFICER

CHICAGO AIR DEFENSE SECTOR

THE REPORT WAS RECEIVED FOUR DAYS AFTER SIGHTING.

SOURCES SEEM RELIABLE BUT NO INFORMATION AT THIS

HEADQUARTERS CAN CONFIRM. NO EXPLANATION OF

SIGHTING CAN BE MADE.

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30 April 1964

Mr [REDACTED]
Argyle, Wisconsin

Dear [REDACTED]

Additional information is essential for evaluation of your sighting. Would you please complete the inclosed form and return it to Hq FTD (TDEW), in the envelope provided.

Thank you for reporting this unknown object to the Air Force.

Sincerely,

HECTOR QUINTANILLA, Jr
Captain, USAF
Chief, Aerial Phenomena
Branch

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MONTICELLO, WISCONSIN

3 APRIL 1964

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As the lights came closer, it apparently slowed down to a hovering position right alongside of the car, but about 100 yards to the left of the road. At this time there were four red lights. The object went behind telephone poles and wires as it was hovering.

At no time were the observers able to see any body in the object or any superstructure. Only the fact that the lights maintained a geometrical relationship throughout the sighting led them to believe that the lights were indeed attached to a physical structure of some sort. A few times they gave the impression that the red lights did reflect dimly off a metallic surface.

The object then passed slightly to the rear at which time the driver started the motor, turned on the headlights, and drove ahead to turn around. As he turned around, he found the light pattern growing smaller in the east. The observers chased the objects but the attempt was futile, because the object disappeared into the distance. The total duration of sighting was somewhere between five and fifteen minutes.

COMMENTS

Considering the possibility of some type of aircraft being responsible for the sighting has to be ruled out since there was no noise heard at all by any of the observers, even though one of the windows was rolled down. According to the observers a helicopter couldn't be responsible for the sighting because the subtended angle was much too great to have been a helicopter over one hundred yards away. Also, no landing lights were used, and a helicopter that close to the ground would have landing lights on.

Scientific balloons, if they descend nearly to the ground, do not suddenly take off and rise rapidly as so reported by the observers. This tends to discount such a sighting. The weather was reported as being cloudy by the local weather bureau.

With the information available a conclusive explanation is lacking. This factor makes this case unidentified.